UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PRICE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANNING BULLETIN #1

PUBLIC SCOPING NOTICE

PRICE FIELD OFFICE DECEMBER 17. 2001

Introduction and Background

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Price Field Office has initiated the process to develop a land and resource management plan (RMP) for approximately 2,500,000 acres of surface estate lands and 2,800,000 acres of mineral estate land in central Utah. This plan, known as the Price Resource Management Plan, will combine the existing Price River and San Rafael RMP's into a single plan. As part of this project a supporting Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will also be prepared.

Project Area Description

Regionally referred to as the San Rafael Swell and Price River areas, the project area includes all of Carbon and Emery Counties, in central Utah.

How to get and Give Information

An integral component of the Price RMP development process is pubic involvement. Throughout the project, local interests and residents will have opportunities to participate and share their insights and comments.

As the BLM proceeds with the planning effort,, they will hold open houses, publish articles in the local papers, issue mailings, offer tours of the planning area and provide briefings on their progress. Interested individuals or organizations are encouraged to provide written comments on the attached form, contact a member of the Project Interdisciplinary Team or attend one or more of the scheduled public open houses/scoping meetings.

Public Scoping Meetings

The Price Field Office has scheduled six public open houses/scoping meetings to solicit public comment and provide public involvement opportunities in the development of the Price Resource Management Plan (RMP) and supporting Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). All parties interested in BLM lands and resource planning issues are invited to attend.

The open house/scoping meetings will allow attendees to discuss resource issues with resource specialists during the two hour scoping work session. Issue identification discussions will take place in facilitated, small-group discussions. Individuals who wish to participate in this activity should be on time and anticipate spending the entire evening. Additional questions relating to the scoping meetings may be directed to Floyd Johnson, Assistant Field Office Manager, Price Field Office, (435) 636-3600.

Public Scoping Meeting Schedule

Meetings have been scheduled for the following locations and times:

Salt Lake City, Utah – January 15, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM This is the Place State Park, 2200 Sunnyside Avenue, Salt Lake City

Moab, Utah – January 16, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Ramada Inn Meeting Room, 182 South Main Street, Moab

Grand Junction, Colorado – January 17, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Grand Vista Hotel, 2790 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction

Green River, Utah – January 29, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Green River City Hall, Green River

Castle Dale, Utah – January 30, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM San Rafael Museum, 64 North 100 East, Castle Dale

Price, Utah – January 31, 2002, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Holiday Inn Conference Center, 838 Westwood Blvd., Price

Management Issues

Issues that will be addressed in the RMP, and discussed and articulated in the public scoping workshops will include, but not be limited to the following:

- ➤ Air Quality
- Cultural Resources
- ➤ Soil and Water Resources
- Vegetation
- ➤ Resource Management
- Lands and Realty Management
- ➤ Fluid Mineral Resources
- Coal Resources
- Other Mineral Resources
- Recreation
- ➤ Visual Resource Management

- Special Management Designations
- Wildlife Habitat and Fisheries Management
- ➤ Hazardous Materials
- Geographical Information Systems and Geospatial Data
- Other Issues? What can you think of?

Project Contacts

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RESPONSE TO PRICE RMP PLANNING PROJECT

PLEASE RETURN COMMENTS BEFORE FEBRUARY 15, 2002

	Comments on the preliminary issues: (please print)
	Add additional sheets as necessary.
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Pieas	e check boxes that apply:
	I have additional information about the resource area that may be helpful in the
	environmental analysis. Please contact me at:
	I would like to visit the area with Bureau of Land Management personnel.
	(Please call (435) 636-3600 (Floyd Johnson) for an appointment).
	Please send me a synopsis of public response to the scoping session.
	I have no further interest in this proposal and DO NOT want to receive further
	mailings.
V	OUR NAME:
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Is	there anyone else you would like on the project mailing list?
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Tl	hank you for your participation in the management of your public lands.
	oyd Johnson, Assistant Field Office Manager
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TO MAIL, FOLD COMMENT SHEET IN THIRDS, MAKING SURE TO DISPLAY THE ADDRESS ON FRONT; TAPE AND APPLY THE CORRECT POSTAGE.